



WEEKLY UPDATE

UMATILLA CHEMICAL AGENT DISPOSAL FACILITY
UMATILLA CHEMICAL DEPOT



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Safe, secure delivery



GB M55 Rocket



GB Ton Containers



GB MC-1 Bombs

UMCDF Rocket / Agent Processing 8/4/05 thru 8/10/05

Total number of GB-filled rockets destroyed this period	542
Total number of GB-filled rockets destroyed to date	26,152
Pounds of agent destroyed this period	8,862
Pounds of agent destroyed to date	276,316
Number of storage igloos emptied to date	8
Percentage of total agent tons destroyed	3.72%
Percentage of GB rockets destroyed to date	28.6%

UMCDF Update

- Preparations continue for processing the four non-stockpile ton containers. Sampling analyses confirmed the presence of GB agent in all four containers in a range between 18% and 68%.
- Testing of potentially gelled GB M55 rockets from two lots began Aug. 4. Tests on the first lot indicated no evidence of gelled chemical agent, allowing rockets from that lot to be processed as "regular" rockets. Testing on the first 30 rockets of the second lot also indicate no gelling. The rockets remaining to be tested will be processed soon.
- Preparations for the GB MC-1 bomb campaign continued with processing of simulated bombs.
- UMCDF employees have worked over 1.2 million safe work hours without a lost workday.

At right: Outreach specialist David Nahol discusses disposal activities with Herb and Virginia Rand of Hermiston at the Umatilla Chemical Depot's information booth at the Umatilla County Fair on Tuesday, Aug. 9.

The booth, staffed by employees from the Outreach Office, Washington Group International and the Depot, contains information about the Depot and disposal facility, including a model of an M55 rocket, posters, photographs, brochures and a new information piece on the closure of the Johnston Atoll facility.



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